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Hongkong, 15th March, 1902. [19]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
NOTICE is hereby given that we have
appointed Mr. Mok HAU WO alias
Mok LOI PUN, our Comprodor in Hongkong
and Canton as from the 7th instant.
ABDOOLALLY EBRAHIM & CO.,
Hongkong, 8th April, 1902. [419d]

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

NOTICE.
DURING MY TEMPORARY ABSENCE
from the Colony, Mr. GASTON MAVER
has been appointed by our Board of Directors,
as ACTING MANAGER of this Agency and
will take charge on and after the 14th April.
L. BERINDOAQUE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1902. [434d]

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NEW FEATURES DAILY.

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [436d]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship.

S.S. "PRINCESS IRENE,"
of the Norddeutscher Lloyd,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before NOON,
TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 22nd instant, will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 28th
November, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [6]

To-day's
Advertisements.
NOTICE.

A MEETING of His Majesty's Justices of
the Peace will be held at the MAGIS-
TRACY at 2.30 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 22nd
day of April, 1902, for the purpose of consider-
ing the following application:—
From one ESTHER OLIVER for permission
to remove her licensed publican's busi-
ness from Houses Nos. 12 and 13,
Queen Victoria Street, to Houses Nos.
73 and 74, Queen's Road Central, under
the Sign of the "NEW TRAVELLERS'
HOTEL."

F. A. HAZELAND,
Police Magistrate.
Magistracy,
Hongkong, 14th April, 1902. [441d]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE.

ON account of the Recent Wet Weather
the time for finishing the first and
second rounds in the Tennis Tournament has
been extended to FRIDAY, the 18th instant,
before which date all ties in these two rounds
must positively be played off.

The ground is reserved on SATURDAY,
the 19th instant, for the Annual Tennis Match
with The Ladies Recreation Club which takes
place on that day.

Play commencing at 3 P.M.
THE LAWN TENNIS SUB
COMMITTEE.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [444d]

DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

NOTICE.

BY Order of the Board of Directors, Mr. H.
SCOTTLANDER has been appointed
MANAGER of this Bank.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1902. [442d]

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1902.

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"HAICHING,"
Captain Evans, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 18th instant,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [439d]

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG,"
Captain Buller, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [445d]

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THE Company's New Steamship

"RUBI,"
Captain Almond, will be despatched for the
above Port, on THURSDAY, the 24th instant,
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Powered, Newest and most up to date on the
run. All Accommodation Amidships. Electric
Light and other Modern Improvements.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [447d]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLEDI,"
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 22nd instant, will be
subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th
May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 22nd instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [440d]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND
STRAITS.

THE Steamship.

"GLENGYLE,"
having arrived from the above Port, Consignees
of Cargo by her, are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd instant, will
be subject to rent.

To-day's
Advertisements.
VICTORIA CHAPTER,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the
above CHAPTER will be held in the
FREMANS' HALL, Zeland Street, TO-
NIGHT, the 15th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m.
Visiting Companions are cordially invited to
attend.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1902. [420d]

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1902. [443d]

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor,"
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for publication; but as evidence of good faith.
Whilst the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always
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tions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly under-
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A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary.

MARRIAGE.

On Friday, 4th April, at the Church of the
Assumption, Penang, by the Rev. J. Meneu-
rier, Captain RICHARD OWEN, son of the late
Captain Thomas Owen, of Carnarvon, North
Wales, to Phoebe MARILLA, second daughter
of Joseph and Louisa Adeline Smith, and grand
daughter of the late Captain Henry William
Smith, of Yarmouth.

The Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1902.
NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Tariff Revision.

The latest suggestion of the British Trade
Commissioner with regard to tariff revision
is that the vexatious lekin tax should be
abolished altogether and a fixed import duty
of fifteen per cent ad valorem imposed, to
cover both customs dues and lekin on all
foreign imports into China. He suggests
that this scale of duty shall remain in force
for ten years, in the eleventh year it
shall be reduced to fourteen per cent, and so
on each succeeding year until in the fifteenth
year it shall become ten per cent, ad val-
orem and remain in force until further notice.

This we consider to be a very good and
reasonable suggestion. The foreign mer-
chant will, under this arrangement, be able
to send his goods to the farthest points in
the interior knowing beforehand to what
imposts they will be subject instead of, as
at present, having to pay lekin at every
barrier on a scale which is too often a sliding
one made to suit the views of the collectors.
China too will benefit by the change; for the
fact that the whole duty will be collected by
the Imperial Maritime Customs will do away
with the great leakages which now occur in
the revenue derived from lekin, and where
one million taels was formerly sent to Peking
we think we are safe in saying that two
millions would find their way into the
treasury under Sir ROBERT HART'S ad-
ministration.

Another very important point in this con-
nection is to be found in the fact that the
new arrangement would greatly facilitate the
payment of the indemnity. The extra
revenue derived from the increased duty
would do away with the necessity for
special taxation such as is now being
imposed in order to meet the indemnity, and
a great source of anxiety to the Viceroy, and
worry and vexation to the people, would be
removed. At present the Viceroy's through-
out the whole of the Empire have been
ordered to raise funds to meet the indemnity
by means of a house tax. The amount to
be contributed by each particular province
has been arbitrarily fixed by the Peking
Government, and the Viceroy is straining
every nerve to raise the sums set against
their various names with, we are assured,
very little hope of success. The people
object most strongly to the house tax. In
Chihli they have offered armed resistance
to its collection, and the serious rising now
proceeding in Kwangsi and the adjoining
provinces is said to be mainly attributable
to the same cause.

It must be borne in mind that the amount
demanded by Peking from each province
does not represent by a long way the sum
which will have to be contributed by the
people in order that the full amount asked
for shall reach Peking. A Chinese proverb
says "The big fish eats the little fish and
the little fish eats the mud," and this is just
what occurs in the collection of the house tax
and lekin. The amount contributed by the
people gradually dwindles as it passes through
the hands of the various officials until, by
the time it reaches Peking, but a small pro-
portion of the original total remains.

Thus to sum up, the proposed tariff re-
vision is likely to relieve the merchant of much
in the way of vexatious impositions, will go
far to pave the way for the opening up of
the whole of the trade routes of China, and
will aid in preserving the peace, by keeping
the people contented and removing a very strong
incentive to anti-foreign feeling by relieving
them of the burden of taxation now imposed
on the pretence of meeting the indemnity.

The Water Supply.

On making enquiries to-day we were
informed by Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH that the
rain of the last few days has had very little, if
any, effect upon the reservoirs in the way of
adding to our sadly inadequate stock of water,
and hence the intermittent service must of
necessity continue. This is not particularly
surprising, for a very large amount of the
rainfall must have been absorbed by the
 parched vegetation, and until such time as it
has drunk its fill one can hardly expect the
reservoirs to benefit to any great extent. The
streams in the neighbourhood of Kowloon
City have been replenished to some extent
and the people are now busily em-
ployed in putting in their rice, the planting
of which has been delayed by the drought.
It is to be hoped that we shall shortly be
visited with further heavy rains, and that the
coming summer will make up for the short
comings of the last in the matter of rainfall.

Cholera.

The present visitation of Cholera appears
to be one of the most serious outbreaks of
that disease which has occurred within the
history of the Colony, though so far it has
been confined exclusively to Asiatics. From
the outbreak of the 4th March last up to
date 106 cases and 97 deaths have been re-
corded, or nearly three cases per day. How-
ever the disease is now said to be upon the
decrease in Canton and it is to be hoped
that it will shortly abate in the Colony.

Plague.

The returns of plague for this year to date,
10 cases and 10 deaths, compare very
favourably with the returns for the corre-
sponding period of last year, which showed
115 cases and 109 deaths. Still, despite
the great efforts which have been made by
the Sanitary Authorities to combat the dis-
ease and prevent an epidemic, it is rather
too soon to begin to throw bouquets at our-
selves on the assumption that a victory over
the disease has been won. It must not be
forgotten that in former years the disease
has not become particularly prevalent until
the wet season was well established. If we
can get through the first month of the wet
season without any large outbreak, then we
think will be time enough to congratulate
ourselves upon the success of the efforts
made to stamp out the scourge. In the
meantime we can only wait and watch
events.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Messieurs Schalk-Burger and Meyer, Com-
mandants Botha, Delarey and De Wet, and
ex-Presidents Steyn, have arrived at Pretoria
in two special trains from Klerksdorp.

An informal meeting of Cabinet Ministers
was held late on Saturday night at Mr. Cham-
berlain's house, and it is rumoured that this
was in consequence of the receipt of an im-
portant communication from Lord Kitchener.

PEACE.

ARRANGEMENT OF TERMS.
(Times-Mercure Special.)
LONDON, April 11th.

Rumoured Dr. Rutherford Harris, who his
wife yesterday peace had been settled. Lon-
don Financier and Bullionist issued second
edition this morning stating on authority of
their Pretoria correspondent that after prolonged
negotiations British and Boer representatives
have at last agreed upon terms of peace. The
actual terms are still withheld, but it is under-
stood that the British Government have not given
any concession to the enemy.

These terms have been cabled to the Boer
agents in Amsterdam and other continental
centres.

THE NEWS CONFIRMED.

A private telegram received from Manila last
night states: "Peace Africa watch-wires."

THE NEW ATTORNEY GENERAL.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF FIJI APPOINTED.

His Excellency the Officer Administering
the Government has received a telegram from
the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for
the Colonies intimating that Sir H. S. Berkeley,
Chief Justice of Fiji, has been selected for the
appointment of Attorney General of Hong-
kong.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE ENGLISH MAIL of the 15th March
was delivered in London on the 12th inst.

CHOLERA.—For the twenty-four hours end-
ing noon to-day, three cases of cholera were
reported which ended with fatal results.

SCARLET FEVER AND DIPHTHERIA are
reported to have broken out in Peking. Accord-
ing to native exchanges, several foreigners have
been attacked.

THE DISASTER AT GLASGOW.—H. M.
King, Edward, has tendered his sympathy regard-
ing the Glasgow disaster which occurred during
the International Football Match.

THE PEIHO CONSERVANCY.—From
native sources, we learn that a company, has
recently been started in Shanghai, for the im-
provement of the river Peiho. The capital of
the concern is estimated at 250,000 taels.

A LAUNCH IN TROUBLE.—The Cox-
swain of the steam launch "Wallingford," the
property of Messrs. Fanchard Lowther and
Company, was mugged in the sum of 50c. for
causing an obstruction to "Telegraph Lane"
Fier. The fine was paid.

JUNGLE SICK.—The notorious Jungle is
reported to be suffering from gout and rheuma-
tism and has lately petitioned the Thrope, for
an extension of leave to recoup his shattered
health. Probably the shades of the martyred
missionaries are haunting him.

NEGLIGENT BOATMEN.—For not ex-
hibiting the regulation lights, no less than seven
boatmen were arranged before Mr. Kemp this
morning, with the result that each were fined
\$5 or ten days. The fines were paid. F. C.
Cook was in charge of the cases.

LARCENY.—Thomas Elving, head watchman
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Whampoa Dock
Co., had one Chan Sha before Mr. Kemp this
morning for stealing copper to the value of
\$3.50 from the Docks. As the charge was
proven the culprit was sent into durance vile
for six weeks with hard labour.

CHOLERA IN CANTON GAOL.—Owing
to the insupportable condition of the Canton gaol,
cholera is reported to have broken out. The
daily average death roll is estimated at about
ten cases. The authorities are alarmed, and
have appealed to the British and American
Consuls for advice and assistance.

THE TENNIS

THE NEW WHITE STAR LINER
"ATHENIO."

On Thursday, the 23rd January, the s.s. *Athenio* left Messrs. Harland & Wolff's Yard, Belfast, and proceeded down the Lough for trial trip and adjustment of compasses. She is the first of three large twin-screw steamers which are being built by Messrs. Harland & Wolff Limited, for the service which has for so many years been successfully conducted between London and New Zealand by Messrs. Shaw, Savill & Albion Co., Ltd.

The *Athenio* will be followed by the *Corinthia* and *Ionia*, sister ships in all respects. Her dimensions are:—Length extreme 320 ft., B.P. 500 ft., breadth 63 ft., depth 49 ft., with gross registered tonnage 12,234 tons. She has exceptionally comfortable accommodation for about 100 first saloon, 100 second saloon, and nearly 200 third class passenger and should prove a great favourite with the travelling public.

The first saloon dining room is in the fore end of a large deck house on the upper deck, and is tastefully decorated with white and gold panels in stainedwood framing. The library, which is immediately above the saloon, is a spacious apartment, about ten feet high, fitted with comfortable lounges and chairs, and a large bookcase containing a well selected assortment of books. This room is decorated in carved oak, and is surmounted with an ornamental skylight. The floor is laid with parquetry. The first saloon smokeroom is upon the same deck as the library, but further aft, and is decorated in embossed leather with mahogany furniture. Ample mechanical ventilation is provided. The flooring is of rubber tiling similar to that which was first introduced on board the *Lyonic* and has since been adopted on board all the White Star passenger ships.

In the second saloon accommodation the dining room is a handsome apartment, decorated in polished hardwood. There are also comfortable library and smokerooms. The floor of the latter is laid with rubber tiling. The third class accommodation is most comfortably fitted, in separate rooms, having two and four berths each. The large dining saloon situated at the after end is furnished with separate revolving chairs. There are also provided 3rd class library and smokeroom tastefully decorated.

The *Athenio* has large cargo capacity, with ample appliances of the latest and most approved type. Refrigerating apparatus and chambers have been fitted for carrying 100,000 carcasses of sheep. The tween decks are also fitted with the necessary arrangements for carrying fruit and dairy produce. The refrigerating plant is on the carbonic acid system, constructed by Messrs. J. & E. Hall, Darford, and the cooling effect is transmitted to the holds by means of brine circulating through coils of pipes in the usual manner. Like all other vessels of the White Star Fleet the *Athenio* is lighted throughout by electricity.

The machinery which has been constructed in Messrs. Harland & Wolff's Engine Works consists of two sets of quadruple expansion engines, each having cylinders 32", 31", 46" and 66" by 48" stroke, and it is expected that an ocean speed exceeding 12 knots will be obtained.

The *Athenio* is fitted with bilge keels, to ensure increased steadiness at sea, and her great capacity renders her admirably adapted for the carriage of troops and horses.

After adjustment of compasses the ship left Belfast Lough for Barry, where she was to take in her coal, proceeding from there to London, whence she was to sail for New Zealand via Cape Town in February. Captain C. H. Kempson, Lieutenant, R.N.R., is in command.

CANTON NOTES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 14th.
The recent rains here, have proved a blessing to the people. I hear that cholera is not so bad, but all the same, the disease has not been entirely wiped out yet.

After the example shown by the Canton hospitals, the Fatsan hospitals have ordered the construction of huge junks to convey water from the Sal's new mountains to the sufferers.

For the last three weeks, piracy and robbery have shown a decrease. Probably it is owing to the stringent measures adopted by the Viceroy, who has ordered that as soon as pirates or robbers are captured, not only the culprits are to pay the extreme penalty of the law, but also the property and the relatives of the culprits to be confiscated and punished.

GREAT VIOLINIST COMING TO HONGKONG.

When about six months ago Max Schuller appeared in Yokohama and was announced as "a great violinist," he did not attract much interest for he was unknown to local fame, although the few who had listened to his playing in musical circles spoke very highly of him as an artist. His first appearance in public was a most decided success and he was recognized as a *maestro*, so when he announced a series of Subscription Concerts, under the patronage of the various Consuls, the season tickets were much in demand.

During his residence at Yokohama, he has made trips to Kobe and Shanghai where he was enthusiastically received. At Shanghai, he created such a favorable impression, that the local talent voluntarily arranged to aid him in giving a series of concerts and have been writing regularly for him to hurry up, and so as not to disappoint them; he gave up a proposed concert at Kobe and proceeded to Shanghai on Thursday's steamer. After a season at Shanghai he will proceed to Hongkong and may possibly make a trip to Manila.

COTTAM & CO. FOR GENTS' BATH-ING GRAB.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE CATHOLIC UNION.

A very pleasant entertainment took place on Saturday evening in the hall of the Club when the members of the Catholic Union produced Offenbach's two act comic opera *The Magic Melody*. The various characters were very ably portrayed by the lady and gentlemen amateurs, and considering that many only made their first debut as actors and actresses, the highest credit reflects on Mr. Farmer, under whose able supervision the rehearsals were conducted. The singing throughout was capital, whilst excellent time was maintained. A special word of praise is due to the powerful chorus. Taken on a whole, the piece passed off very satisfactorily. The musical part was in charge of Mr. Emil Danenberg, whilst Miss Judith Danenberg acted in an accomplished style as accompanist. Special mention must be made of the orchestra, Mr. M. J. Danenberg, was responsible for the highly effective scenery and the stage arrangements. The performance was again repeated last night to a crowded house. We append the cast of characters.

Arnold (A scrivener's clerk) Mr. M. J. Danenberg.
Dorick (An old scrivener) Mr. L. Silva-Netto.
Grace (his ward) Miss Silva-Netto.
Betty (A kitchen wench) Miss Elsie Kruger.
Toby (An office boy) Mr. Emil Danenberg.
Lauton, Susan, Misses L. Alves, A. Gutierrez, C. and H. Lopes.
Isabella and Kate friends.
Will, Ralph, Ned, and Bati Messrs. F. Eca da Silva, C. Rosa, A. A. Alves, G. V. Osmond.
Ah Fook (A Chinese servant) Mr. F. Ribeiro.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 13th.
THE PROGRAMME FOR CORONATION DAY is once more in a state of chaos, from which emerge one or two decided points. Thus in London, both that day itself and the next will be proclaimed Bank Holidays, while Parliament will take a fortnight's vacation, unless the opposition fight hard against the proposal. The second procession, if it does come off, about which, for the moment, there appears to be a doubt, is in a fluid condition, that is to say, after everything had been officially settled, there is, I learn, some prospect of the route being changed. No reason is assigned for the prevailing uncertainty, of which the existence is as far as possible denied, but I learn from two sources, that nothing is really fixed with any finality.

THE RELEASE OF LORD METHUEN has greatly relieved the tension which existed respecting the need of an exchange of prisoners, and has moreover called forth many articles full of praise of De Larey's chivalry. It is, however, greatly feared by competent authorities that the gallant General's condition must be very serious indeed to have induced this action. The Boers are said to be without competent doctors, and in view of this circumstances and the terrible nature of Lord Methuen's injury, De Larey determined that to carry him about in a wagon would probably involve death, in which case the capture would be of no practical utility. Both humanity and policy therefore dictated the transference of the wounded officer to a British hospital. General De Larey also caused a telegram to be despatched directly after the battle to Lady Methuen, assuring her of the safety of her husband—such action awakens in all hearts what has been called "the noblest spirit evoked by war."

Speaking of the disaster, itself, a distinguished Colonial Governor, himself a soldier, and the father of two officers at the front, gave me his opinion on Friday, in one pithy sentence—
"What can you expect if you lay hands on a party of ploughboys and send them raw from the fields into battle?"

THREE EMPIRE-BUILDERS have been largely before the public eye this week. Mr. Rhodes' condition, so far as can be ascertained, from the contradictory reports in the daily press, is very serious, and his ultimate recovery seems doubtful. Colonel Rhodes leaves England to-day for South Africa. As is very generally known, a profound affection and friendship exists between these two brothers, and the soldier is greatly distressed that the present crisis should find him so far away from the invalid.

By the same steamer, Lord Wolseley is also a passenger for the Cape, and great curiosity is expressed to learn the reason for this unexpected departure. The veteran Field-Marshal himself declares that his trip is undertaken for private purposes only, a statement which I find no one is sufficiently trusting to accept *au pied de la lettre*. The explanation which an interested public most generally offers is that Lord Wolseley being intimately acquainted with South Africa is choosing this moment for a "private" visit, at the secret instigation of the War Office, in order, either, that his advice may be at the disposal of Lord Kitchener, or that the same authorities may be provided with an impartial expert opinion of the situation and the prospect of an early end of the war. If indeed any public considerations are concerned, the latter is more likely to be correct, than the idea that the responsible Commander-in-Chief is to be supplied with an irresponsible adviser.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD'S GREAT SPEECH on Friday night has attracted much attention. Perhaps the most remarkable indictment of our present system of preparing officers for posts of great importance—wherein to fail would mean to imperil our national existence is contained in this one sentence—
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hours. I do not say, strategically, that is quite another thing."

You will receive the speech at length in the home papers, but I cannot refrain from quoting a few more words respecting the remedies for present mistakes, which the experience of Lord Charles has suggested to him. Unlike too many of our present-day critics and reformers, the gallant Admiral who has done so much for the Service and the nation, does not stop at pointing out errors, and vaguely hinting how much better he could do than those in office, but clearly and definitely indicates the lines on which improvement should move, quite irrespective of who directs the helm. Here then are the more salient points of his scheme of reform.

1. The addition to the Board of Admiralty of a Naval War Lord, on whom shall devolve all war preparations, and the responsibility of placing all necessary requirements before Parliament.

2. The purchase of coal-fields at home, and in the Colonies, by the Government, so that strikes shall not affect naval supplies.

3. The abolition of all warships useless to fight, or valueless for lack of speed.

4. The establishment of a register of reserves, skilled artisans and others able on emergency to fill certain ratings on men-of-war.

5. The introduction of a modified short service system.

6. The promotion by selection of younger Admirals, and the retirement of all rear-Admirals who have not, after passing three years in that rank, hoisted their flags. With the exception of the fifth clause, I find that practically all senior Naval opinion is at one with Lord Charles Beresford, but whether that circumstance will influence events is quite another story. Apparently the chief hope of reform lies, at least in the Admiral's eyes, with the Press, for he concluded "A paragraph in a responsible paper obtains more attention than all the fervid oratory of irresponsible politicians."

LORD ROSEBERY is the third public man, whose personality has attracted this week's story, as a topic for consideration. At Glasgow he further expounded the Liberal League programme, and at Walbrook on Friday he defended his new creation.

In reply to the question why he did not indicate the legislation which would be favoured by his party, Lord Rosebery gave a twofold answer.

"I don't prescribe till I am called in. Measures depend upon majorities." It was a clever reply, which gives little handle to opponents, but it cannot be described as a phase of confident leadership. Lord Rosebery will not get his majority for the passing of measures, if he will not in any way confide in the public of what those measures will approximately consist. His statement that the most urgent matters are national efficiency, education, housing, and temperance is not one that any party or any politician will quarrel with. The humblest voter of any party or none, would agree at any rate as to the first three of these "urgent" concerns—the point upon which the nation needs enlightenment is rather, in what way would Lord Rosebery seek to attain the universal desiderata. Just here the oracle maintains silence.

At Walbrook Lord Rosebery added a new metaphor to that graceful stream which has adorned his present campaign. "Liberal League" he said "is an association for the inoculation of the Liberal Party with Chesterfield lymph."

Both the London and the Glasgow speeches are as full of interest and charm as are all the utterances of the ex-Liberal Leader, but it is impossible to say they added anything very distinctive to the "common stock."

AN EPIDEMIC OF POLITENESS prevails among street hounds and news-vendors, of which the symptoms are more embarrassing than agreeable to the average London woman accustomed to take care of herself in the traffic. It arises thuswise. A newsboy seeing an elderly lady trembling on the pavement at a Piccadilly crossing, offered to convey her across, assistance which she gratefully accepted, and asked the name and address of her youthful protector. This was a year ago. Last week the boy received a letter from a firm of solicitors informing him that the lady was dead, and in acknowledgment of his courtesy has bequeathed him £200. This is a charming story, but its publication has made the crowded thoroughfares no place for pedestrian woman-kind without need of escort!

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THE RUSSIANS IN MANCHURIA.

There is every indication that the Russians are determined to evacuate Manchuria at an early early date, says the *Shanghai Times*, amongst others the fact that they are busy building churches and opening schools throughout the length and breadth of the land. The Russian Government has also just been liberal enough, to expend a sum of 50,000 roubles in charity in this country, which it professes to have the intention of leaving for ever the day after to-morrow or so. Just a crumb of bread cast upon the waters without any prospect of ever receiving any return in the shape of flocks or herds, or men-servants or maid-servants, or pastures, especially pastures, for Cossack shepherds!

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21381/21405	22422/22466	26202/26216
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29782/29791	31019/31668	32044/32045
34233/34243	36203/36212	36233/36234
36460/36474	38214/38288	40604/40703
46070/46119	46235/46329	49705/49729
49810/49829	55066/55090	55146/55155
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W. KERFOOT HUGHES, Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1902. [426d]

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EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1902. [428d]

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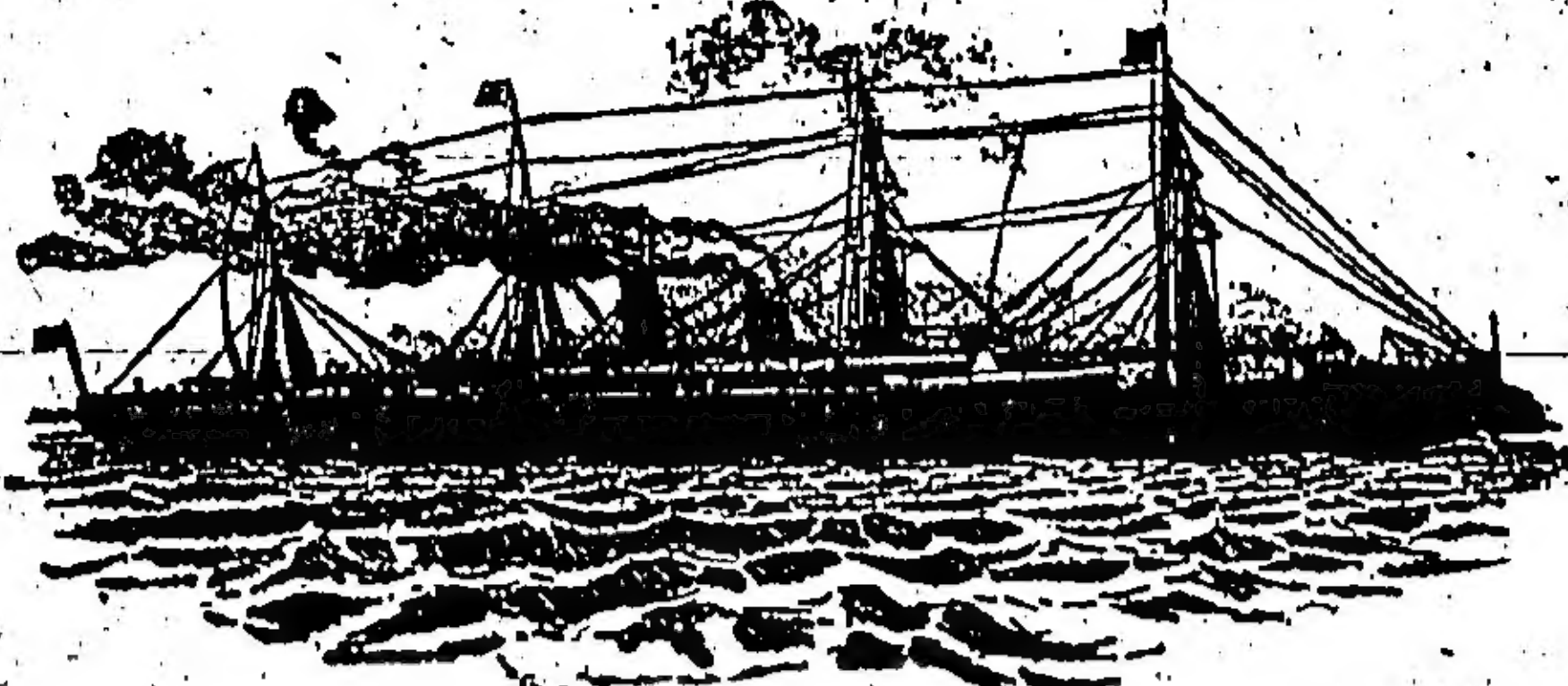
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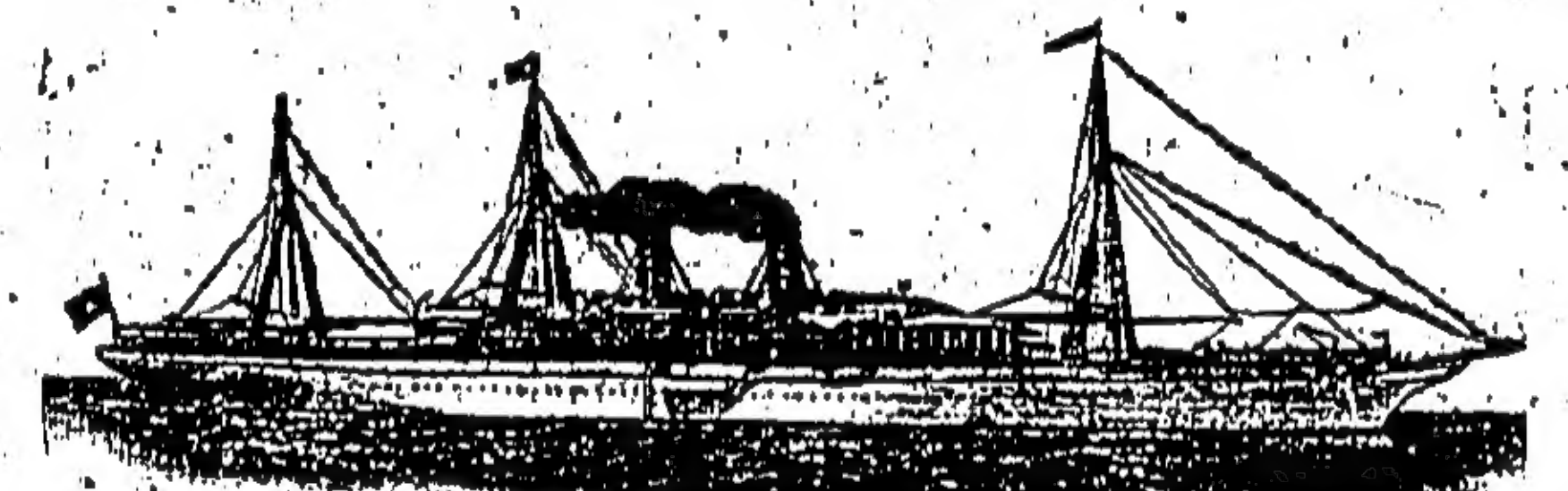
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Hongkong, so that getting away for a week-end on sport is practically unknown.

Still there are no more people who go to church than there are with us. There was the same sprinkling of men at the Cathedral, most of whom have attained that stage which in Shakespeare's lines is connected with the

"FAIR ROUND BELLY WITH FAT CAPON LINED."

But woman was predominant. The inequality between the sexes here below will, I fear, be accentuated in the sweet bye-and-bye unless the sterner sex can discover some other method of reaching Heaven than by church-going. For two or three per cent. would easily cover all the regular church-goers of Hongkong and Shanghai. There has been a little trouble at the Cathedral of late. Our southern friends are musical in their tastes, and the appointment of an unmusical successor to the present chaplain has not met with all the approval that could have been wished. It is the choir, I suppose, which is at the bottom of the incipient revolt. Choirs are proverbial for their sensitiveness. They so easily get out of tune with their surroundings, and if there are no surroundings with whom to strike a discord they contrive as a rule to jangle amongst themselves. Usually this is a sign of vitality, and should not be too seriously condemned.

The Hongkong choir is a make-shift, a compromise, an attempt to combine the surplined appearance with the effective singing which is to be got only from rare boys specially selected or from women. Hence the Hongkong choir is composed of men and boys in surplises, with a feminine reserve in the back seats so to speak. It struck me as having the disadvantages of both systems without any counterbalancing gain except that of appearance. A surplised choir looks pretty, but its raison d'être is singing. It should appeal to the ear, not to the eye, and to do that satisfactorily there must be an almost unlimited number of boys to choose from.

EDUCATION.

Visits to the schools show that of purely foreign children there are not enough for this purpose, for though scholastic institutions are many, there is, as yet, not a single one for the purely European child. This is a grievance which in these days of high rent, low exchange, and growing expenditure in every way is beginning to be very seriously felt, and of late there has been a great deal of discussion in the Colony over the question of separate accommodation for the boys and girls of European parentage. Some remarks made by the present Bishop, the Right Reverend I. C. Hoare, D.D., at a prize-giving were taken up and after a good deal of local discussion, a scheme was sent home to the Colonial Secretary and a satisfactory reply received, so there is now a hope that ere long Hongkong will have a school for white children. At the moment, however, nothing tangible has been done, and on the Kowloon side at any rate there appears to be some fear that the European residents are to be beholden for their school to the generosity of a liberal-minded native! The whole scheme, as a matter of fact, exists on paper only, though with their usual thoroughness which consists in doing one thing at a time the authorities have already imported teachers by and by, and the remainder of the scheme is to be considered and decided upon; then the schools are to be built and the books and apparatus imported, by which time the scholars will have grown up and the time for the teacher's furlough will have arrived. They are liberal in the way of staff in Hongkong, and can always allow for a fair proportion being absent holiday-making.

THE SAMPAH

I have already referred to the Hongkong sampans, but nothing so far has been said about the sampan, or sampan as the Cantonese call it. It is of rare occurrence for our river sampans to have more than one man aboard, and he if married, has his household establishment elsewhere. His Hongkong representative differs in this. The sampan is a floating home in which from cradle to grave all the joys, all the pleasures, all the sorrows, comedies and tragedies of life are enacted. In the sampan children are born and bred; in it they live and die. Having to face the rougher water of a spacious harbour, the Hongkong sampan is bigger than ours. It has a more imposing mast and sail; it has oars as well as a yuloh, and its deck is curved and polished with wood oil instead of being palated as ours are. But the "crew" at times is what Tommy Atkins calls a "caution." One of my experiences may perhaps be worth relating, as showing the world of difference existing between West and East in child life and occupation. I engaged a sampan one evening to take me off to the ship. The "crew" consisted of a woman, perhaps a widow of recent date, and four children, the oldest of whom might possibly have been six, but was no bigger than a well-grown five-year-old at home. The next was probably four, the third two and a half, the fourth a baby at the breast. I was going to say, at the back would be more literally true, since it was slung behind, more sileco. The mother was in command and took her place in the stern to yuloh and steer. The chief officer, aged six, took stroke, the four-year-old, bow. The veteran of two and a half rushed off from the jetty and then sat down to amuse himself by rattling small stones in a tin can. On getting out into the open the four-year old quitted his oar to hoist the sail, which being done he bent to his work once more, and so in the space of a few minutes we reached our destination, the chief officer receiving the fare and commencing thereupon to the commanding officer with the baby on her back. Where I wonder, in any other civilised land, would such a picture be possible. And what a maritime population it thus being trained up for other use, when China has once opened her eyes to her stupendous possibilities. "Awake, arise, or be for ever fallen," is a

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Milonic piece of advice particularly appropriate to China just now.

Many little things strike the visitor from the north in his wanderings about Hongkong. There is something to be proud of in Queen's Road.

A GREATER CONCENTRATION OF WEALTH than we can show in Shanghai, and Nanking Road might learn lessons from its southern rival. It is strange to find gas burning in some of the offices all through the day, but light in some of the crowded parts is certainly at a premium. The gas lamps on the Kowloon roads, use incandescent burners, a hint to our local gas company. In one of the Hongkong streets there is a flower market where bouquets, button-holes, and cut flowers generally are on sale, and notwithstanding the drought there was a fair number of wild flowers on the slopes of the hills. Hongkong is well off for shade trees. The banyan seems to do well under very adverse circumstances. The gardens are well laid-out and admirably kept, but as a rule are abandoned to the use of the native; especially "when the band begins to play." Why there should not be a modification of this constant quixotism of democracy is one of those things which no Shanghai resident can understand. I hate "side," and the assumption of superiority as much as anybody, but that does not blind me to facts. Separate days could surely be arranged, so that both communities should have their fair share of the pleasure of the garden in return for their payment in support of it. The Hongkong native has not experienced that side of John Bull's character which describes him thus:

"A genius rare, but rude was Honest John." There has been little of rudeness apparently of recent years, and hardly enough at intervals of the firm hand that is necessary.

BRITISH CHRISTIAN GIRL HELD BY A SULTAN.

AMAZING NEWS FROM SINGAPORE.

News is just to hand of another strange incident reported from the Siamese native states. The Sultan of Tringanu has decoyed a Christian Eurasian girl—a British subject—from Bangkok as governess to his family. She is now detained there under all the humiliating duress to which women can be subjected in the palace of an oriental potentate. She receives no salary. She may not go abroad. She is kept in an apartment next the kitchen, measuring 9 feet by 6, and is assured that she will receive no further liberty unless she becomes a Mahomedan. The details of the outrage have been smuggled to the Straits Times over the signature of the lady herself, and they are being forwarded under registered cover to the British Minister at Bangkok. From the messengers who have conveyed the intelligence we learn that the facts stated by the unfortunate lady are more than true.

The circumstances are briefly as follows.—The imprisoned girl is a converted Christian named Maria Theresa, or Maria Tham. Her original name was Manchee, under which title she was registered by her uncle and guardian Suppa Padiachee, a British subject since deceased, formerly resident at Bangkok. She is aged twenty or twenty-one, and is the widow of a Eurasian named Anson.

In September last, when she was working as a pupil teacher in a Bangkok school, she was engaged by the Sultan of Tringanu as governess to his family at a salary of \$50 per month. She left her mother and child and proceeded to Tringanu, where she has since been detained, and where forcible efforts have been made to convert her from Christianity.

Since her engagement seven months ago, she has received but \$30 in all, and she is now destitute and a prisoner.

On three occasions the privations to which she has been subjected have rendered her seriously ill; but she has so far been denied medical attendance.

When she endeavoured to escape by boat, she was captured and taken back to her prison. Her appeals to be allowed to depart by steamer have invariably been refused.

Therefore she appeals to the British authorities at Bangkok to secure her release; and as she took the precaution of reporting her departure at the British Consular Office before leaving Bangkok, it may be confidently assumed that her appeal will not go unheeded. In addition to what the unfortunate girl states in her letters of appeal for rescue, we have learned some additional facts from the messengers.—For instance, they are half starving her and what food she gets is bad. Her servant boy—a Bangkok Malay—was taken away from her and turned out of the palace, lest he should act as a means of communication between her and the outer world. Perhaps, one of the most significant incidents connected with the outrage lies in the fact that they took away her European clothes as soon as she arrived at Tringanu and have compelled her to wear native clothes ever since. Her plight is a matter of common notoriety throughout Tringanu, yet the letters which only reached us to-day, bear date of February 13. They came in a roundabout manner. It is unpleasant to speculate what may have happened to the girl since they were written.—Straits Times.

THE ACCIDENT AT THE INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL MATCH.

FURTHER DETAILS.

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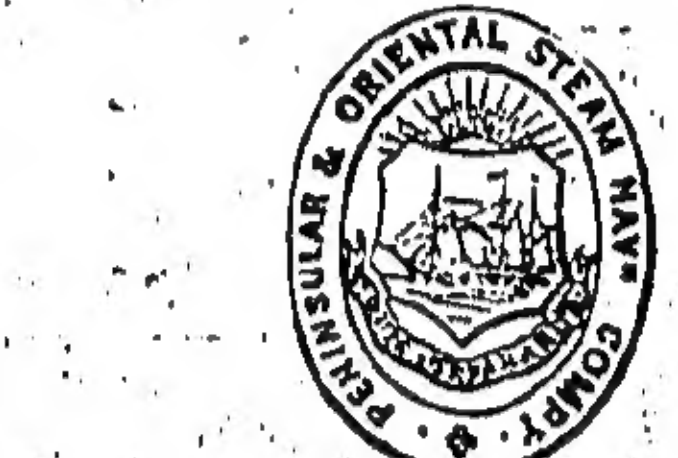
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